

7 November 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 7 November 1968

25X1 DD/I reported that Task Force [ ] is essentially negative,  
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Godfrey noted that Czechoslovakia is quiet as of now but that further demonstrations are expected later in the day.

Godfrey advised that first returns suggest no new major weapons were unveiled in the Moscow military parade.

25X1 [ ] called attention to the fact that a host of incoming officials will need to receive codeword clearance briefings. He suggested that the Agency develop a briefing format which includes both security and substantive expertise rather than relying on the previous procedure of utilizing security briefers only. The Director concurred and asked the DD/S to consult with relevant Agency parties in developing a suitable briefing procedure.

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[redacted] the Soviets have told the Japanese organization aiding American deserters that the Soviets will no longer accept "run-of-the-mill" deserters in that the Americans have been causing serious social problems for the Swedes. The Soviets will gladly accept "quality" deserters.

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DDCI raised a problem in connection with this week's Watch Report and asked [redacted] to edit the item on the increased Soviet naval presence in the Indian Ocean so that a clear distinction is drawn between the significance of the upgraded presence in and of itself and its utility to Soviet space support efforts.

\*The Director asked the DD/I to update the briefing books used for briefing Messrs. Nixon and Agnew at the ranch in August.

\*\*The Director asked the DD/S to prepare a briefing book on the Agency's budget and manpower situation covering the period Fiscal Year 1967 through Fiscal Year 1970 and to include in the briefing book a similar presentation on the intelligence community prepared by Parrott. The Director asked that the overseas personnel situation be highlighted.

The Director drew attention to the existence of two groups of gentlemen who are apparently looking into the organization of the intelligence community. One group is a panel of the Council on Foreign Relations chaired by Douglas Dillon, and the other appears to be associated in some fashion with the Kennedy Institute. He noted that little, if anything, is known about the directions in which the groups' considerations are moving and admonished that it would not be useful to engage in conspiracy theorizing or Cassandra-like speculations concerning their efforts.

Parrott advised that a PFIAB meeting is scheduled for 25-26 November.

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\*Extracted and sent to action officer  
\*\*Extracted and sent to Acting Director, PPB

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